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**James B. Haines, Jr.**  
 Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
 Education: Washington State 1970 BA; Willamette 1977 JD  
 Began Service: 1990  
 Term Expires: August 2018

**Affiliation:** Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit

**Academic:** Associate Professor of Law, University of West Virginia (1980-1983)

**Clerkships:** Judicial Law Clerk The Honorable Eugene A. Wright, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1977-1978)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Davis, Wright, Todd, Riese & Jones; Hewes, Culley & Beals (1983-1986); Partner, Black, Lambert, Coffin & Haines (1986-1990)

**Military Service:** United States Coast Guard (1970-1974)

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute; Judicial Conference of the United States; National Conference of Bankruptcy Clerks; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

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**Benson Everett Legg**  
 Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
 Education: Princeton 1970 AB; Virginia 1973 JD  
 Began Service: September 18, 1991  
 Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush  
 Political Affiliation: Republican

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Frank A. Kaufman, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1973-1974)

**Chambers of Chief Judge Benson Everett Legg** *continued*

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Venable, Baetjer & Howard (1975-1982); Partner, Venable, Baetjer & Howard (1982-1991)

**Current Memberships:** The Bar Association of Baltimore City; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Maryland Bar Foundation, Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Sergeant's Inn Law Club

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**J. Frederick Motz**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
 Education: Wesleyan U 1964 AB; Virginia 1967 LLB  
 Began Service: 1985  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
 Political Affiliation: Republican

**Affiliation:** District Judge (R), Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Harrison L. Winter, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1967-1968)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1969-1971); United States Attorney, District of Maryland, United States Department of Justice (1981-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Venable, Baetjer & Howard (1968-1969); Partner, Venable, Baetjer & Howard (1971-1981)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; The American Law Institute; The Bar Association of Baltimore City; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.

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**Peter J. Messitte**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1941  
 Education: Amherst 1963 BA; Chicago 1966 JD  
 Began Service: November 15, 1993  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Government:** Volunteer, United States Peace Corps (1966-1968)

**Judicial:** Associate Judge, Maryland Circuit Court, Montgomery County (1985-1993)

**Legal Practice:** Zuckert, Scoutt & Rasenberger (1969-1971); Private Practice (1971-1975); Partner, Messitte & Rosenberg (1975-1981); Private Practice (1981-1985)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Federal Bar Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Montgomery County Bar Association (MD)

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**Deborah K. Chasanow**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
 Education: Rutgers 1970 BA; Stanford 1974 JD  
 Began Service: 1993  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Part-Time Teacher, University of Baltimore (1978-1984); Part-Time Teacher, University of Maryland (1978-1984)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable David L. Cahoon (1974-1975)

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Maryland (1975-1979); Chief of Criminal Appeals Division, Office of the Attorney General, State of Maryland (1979-1987)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1987-1993)

**Legal Practice:** Cole & Groner

**Current Memberships:** The Marlborough American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Federal Judges Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; National Association of Women Judges; Prince Georges County Bar Association; Women's Bar Association of Maryland

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**Alexander Williams, Jr.**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
 Education: Howard U 1970 BA, 1973 JD, 1991 MA; Temple 1995 MA  
 Began Service: August 17, 1994  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Assistant Professor, Howard University School of Law (1978-1980); Associate Professor, Howard University School of Law (1980-1986); Professor of Law, Howard University School of Law (1986-1989)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable James H. Taylor, Maryland Circuit Court, Seventh Judicial Circuit (1973-1974)

**Government:** Municipal Attorney, Prince George's County, Maryland (1975-1987); Assistant Public Defender, Prince George's County, Maryland (1977-1978); Staff Attorney, Office of the Public Defender, Prince George's County, Maryland (1977-1978); Hearing Examiner and Special Counsel to the Board of Education, Prince George's County (1978-1987); State's Attorney, State of Maryland (1987-1994)

**Judicial:** Substitute Juvenile Master, Prince George's County, Maryland (1976-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Law Offices of Alexander Williams, Jr. (1974-1986)

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**Catherine C. Blake**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
 Education: Radcliffe 1972 AB; Harvard 1975 JD  
 Began Service: August 1995  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1977-1983); First Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, United States Department of Justice (1983-1985); United States Attorney (court-appointed), District of Maryland, United States Department of Justice (1985-1986)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1987-1995)

**Legal Practice:** Palmer & Dodge (1975-1977)

**Current Memberships:** The Bar Association of Baltimore City; Federal Bar Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; National Association of Women Judges

**Staff**

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**Andre M. Davis**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949  
 Education: Pennsylvania 1971 BA; Maryland 1978 JD  
 Began Service: August 1995  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, University of Maryland School of Law (1981-1984); Visiting Professor, University of Maryland School of Law (1984-1985); Assistant Professor, University of Maryland School of Law (1985-1987)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Frank Kaufman, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1978-1979); Law Clerk The Honorable Francis Murnaghan, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1979-1980)

**Government:** Appellate Attorney, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice (1980-1981); Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1981-1983)

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